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SUBJ: SOVIET PRESS TREATMENT OF TERRORIST INCIDENT
IN AUSTRIA

1. SOVIET PRESS HSS GIVEN MINIMAL COVERAGE TO TERRORIST INCIDENT IN AUSTRIA. BRIEF TASS ITEMS IN PRAVDA SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1, ATTRIBUTING STORY TO UNNAMED "INFORMATION AGENCIES," REPORTED ATTACK BY ARAB TERRORISTS ON JEWISH EMIGRANTS AND CHANCELLOR KRESISK'S DECISION TO CLOSE TRANSIT CENTER. LONGER SIGNED ARTICLE IN OCTOBER 1 IZVESTIYA RECOUNTS SOME FACTS OF INCIDENT AND ALSO REPORTS PRESSURE ON AUSTRIA FROM REACTIONARY AND ZIONIST FORCES IN U.S. AND ISRAEL TRYING TO GET KREISKY'S DECISION REVERSED. NONE OF ARTICLES MENTIONS SOVIET ORIGIN OF EMIGRANTS.

2. COMMENT: INCIDENT WAS OBVIOUS DOUBLE EMBARRASSMENT
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TO SOVIETS IN THAT IT CALLED ATTENTION TO ARAB MISBEHAV-

IOR AND, MORE SERIOUSLY, TO SOVIET ROLE IN PROVIDING
EMIGRANTS TO ISRAEL. THIS PROBABLY EXPLAINS OMISSION OF ANY
MENTION OF EMIGRANTS' PROVENANCE. INCIDENT AND ATTEN-
DANT POBLICITY BRING INTO FOCUS SOVIET DILEMMA POSED BY
COUNTERVAILING PRESSURES FROM ARAB AND WESTERN OPINION.
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